

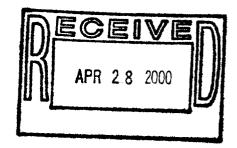




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This letter serves as a 30 day notification pursuant to Section 6 of the Dietary Health and Education Act of 1994 (DSHEA), that Country Life® is using the following statement on the label of Lutein 6 mg Softgels. This statement is accompanied by the required disclaimer. To the best of my knowledge, the information contained in this notice is complete and accurate.

Lutein is a Carotenoid which is found in abundance in fruit and vegetables and is also found in the marigold plant. It has been identified as being one of the carotenoids present in macular pigment. Lutein helps support antioxidant activity.

Sincerely,

Mark Gaeta

Chief Operating Officer

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